

Howick; New Brunswick, T. A. Peters, Fredericton; Nova Scotia, Prof. Cumming, Truro; Manitoba, George Greig, Winnipeg, Man.; Alberta, C. W. Peterson, Calgary; British Columbia, S. R. O'Neil, Vernon; P. E. Island, Hon. Frank Hassard, Charlottetown. Directors—Joseph Dalgely, London; James Henderson, Belton; W. E. Wellington, Toronto; John Gardhouse, Highfield; A. H. Eckford, High River, Alta.; William Wilkie, Toronto; Colonel J. A. McGillivray, Uxbridge. Delegates to fairs and associations—Industrial Exhibition, John Gardhouse and James Dalgely; Western Fair, H. Wade and E. C. Attrill; Central Exhibition, Ottawa, F. M. Wade and Campbell Smith; Horse-breeders' Association, James M. Gardhouse and James Dalgely; Registrar, F. M. Wade, Ottawa, Ont.; Secretary-Treasurer, Henry Wade, Parliament buildings, Toronto.

Holstein-Friesian Breeders Meet.

The 23rd annual meeting of the Canadian Holstein-Friesian Breeders' Association, held in Toronto, Feb. 6th, was attended by a very large, enthusiastic and intelligent gathering of breeders from the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Alberta. The President, Mr. Matt. Richardson, Caledonia, Ont., in an able address, congratulated the members of the Association on the unprecedented success of the past year in sales of stock, in dairy production, and in profitable prices. The report of Secretary-Treasurer G. W. Clemons, and of the Executive Committee, read by the Assistant Secretary and Registrar, Miss Clemons, showed that 1905 had been the banner year in the history of the Association, there having been a gain of registrations over the previous year of 943 cows and 690 bulls, or a total of 1,633. Transfer certificates had been issued to the number of 1,302 during the year. During the year, 58 records of cows were accepted for the Record of Merit, 42 being first tests, and 17 for additional tests. Three bulls had been entered on records of four or more daughters, and 59 new members had been received during the year. The Treasurer's report showed receipts from all sources of \$4,629.23, including a balance from the previous year, and a balance on hand on Feb. 3rd of \$2,450.

On the recommendation of the Executive, \$100 was voted to the Secretary in consideration of the preparation of the card system of indexing, whereby a convenient index of every animal in the whole eight volumes published is now available. On motion, it was resolved to continue the payment of the five-dollar fee to owners of cows submitted for test and qualifying for the Record of Merit.

Grants to leading exhibitions as special prizes for Holstein cattle were donated to the amount of \$800, distributed as follows: Toronto Industrial, \$100; Dominion Exhibition, Halifax, \$100; Winter Fair, Guelph, \$100; Ottawa Winter Fair, \$100; Sherbrooke, Que., \$100; Winnipeg Industrial, \$50; Western Fair, London, \$50; Canada Central, Ottawa, \$50; New Westminster, B. C., \$50; Amherst, N. S., Winter Fair, \$50; Charlottetown, P. E. I., \$25; Calgary, Alta., \$25.

The election of Officers for the current year resulted as follows: President, R. S. Stevenson, Ancaster; 1st Vice-President, A. C. Hallman, Breslau; 2nd Vice-President, G. A. Gilroy, Glen Buell; 3rd Vice-President, D. Mallory, Frankford; 4th Vice-President, H. Bollert, Cassel; Secretary-Treasurer, G. W. Clemons, St. George, Ont.; Directors—James Rettie, Norwich; Stanley Logan, Amherst, N. S.; E. K. Herrick, Abbotsford, Que.; J. W. Richardson, Caledonia. Delegates to leading fair boards—Toronto, W. G. Ellis, W. Shunk; London, H. Bollert, G. W. Clemons; Ottawa, W. W. Brown, G. A. Gilroy; Winnipeg, A. B. Potter, D. Munroe; Calgary, A. S. Blackwood; Sherbrooke, F. E. Came, E. K. Herrick; Halifax and Charlottetown, S. Logan, W. M. Lee; New Westminster, J. W. Steves, T. J. Laing.

On motion, the Executive was authorized to nominate judges for the leading exhibitions, and also to prepare a list of qualified judges, from which local fair boards may make selections.

A suggestion by members from Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, for the appointment of a vice-president for each Province, authorized to organize a provincial association for the furtherance of the interests of the breed, was freely discussed, and was referred to the Executive for consideration and possible action at next annual meeting. Regarding a memorandum from the Dominion Minister of Agriculture, presented by J. B. Spencer, Assistant Livestock Commissioner, relative to the supervision by a Government inspector of yearly tests of cows for milk and butter-fat production, it was resolved that no action at present be taken by the Association.

The Ontario Winter Fair Association Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Winter Fair Association was held in Toronto, February 9th, the President, Mr. Arthur Johnston, Greenwood, in the chair. The report of Secretary-Treasurer A. P. Westervelt showed that the amount paid out as prizes at the 1905 fair was \$7,739.75, as compared with \$7,299.50 paid in 1904. The gate receipts at the 1905 fair were \$2,102.70, as against \$1,843.10 in 1904.

The financial statement showed receipts, \$13,650.96, and expenditures, \$13,802.03, leaving a balance due the Treasurer of \$151.07.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1906.

President, Arthur Johnston, Greenwood; Vice-President, J. A. McGillivray, Bedford Park; Secretary-Treasurer, A. P. Westervelt, Toronto; Chairman of Executive Committee, W. W. Ballantyne, Stratford.

Canadian Hackney Association Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Hackney Horse Breeders' Association, convened in the Repository, Toronto, on the evening of Feb. 7th, and the meeting was well attended, the President, Mr. Robert Miller, Stouffville, in the chair, who referred to the growing popularity of and demand for Hackney sires for the production of high-class carriage horses. The report of Secretary-Treasurer Wade showed a balance on hand of \$750, and an increase of 10 in the membership. On motion, \$200 was granted as prizes to each of the principal exhibitions in the Dominion.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1906.

President, E. C. H. Tisdale, Beaverton; 1st Vice-President, O. Sorby, Guelph; 2nd Vice-President, W. Renfrew, Toronto; Secretary-Treasurer, H. Wade, Toronto. Directors—R. Miller, Stouffville; T. A. Graham, Claremont; R. Beith, Bowmanville; R. W. Davis, Toronto; Geo. Raikes, Barrie; W. Renfrew, Toronto; C. R. Bennett, Russellton.

Delegate to Toronto Exhibition—President E. C. H. Tisdale. Delegates to the National Record Association—Robert Beith, Bowmanville; G. W. Pepper, Toronto.

Dominion Swine Breeders' Association Annual Meeting.

The Dominion Swine-breeders' Association was held in Toronto, February 8th, and was well attended. The President, Mr. Thos. Teasdale, Concord, Ont., in opening the meeting, referred to the scarcity of hogs, the good prices prevailing and in prospect, and advised breeding the best and feeding judiciously, in order to meet the demand for a good type of hog. The report of the Executive showed a prosperous condition, the balance on hand being over \$2,500.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1906.

President, R. H. Harding, Thorndale; Vice-President, D. C. Flatt, Millgrove; General Director, Thos. Teasdale, Concord. Directors—George Green, Fairview; J. E. Brethour, Burford; D. DeCoursey, Bornholm; Wm. Jones, Zenda; W. M. Smith, Scotland; J. C. Smith, Hintonburg; Jos. Featherston, Streetsville. Secretary-Treasurer, A. P. Westervelt, Toronto; Representative Ontario Agricultural College, Prof. G. E. Day, Guelph. Delegates to Fair Boards—National Exhibition, Toronto, D. C. Flatt, Millgrove, and S. Dolson, Alton; Canada Central, Ottawa, P. O. Collins, Jr., and R. Clark; Western Fair, London, D. DeCoursey and Geo. Green; Winter Fair, Guelph, G. B. Hood and Wm. Jones; Winter Fair, Ottawa, D. Barr and R. Clark.

The Dominion Shorthorn Association Annual Meeting.

The 20th annual meeting of the Dominion Shorthorn-breeders' Association, held in Toronto, Feb. 6th, attracted a large attendance, members being present from the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The President, W. G. Pettit, Freeman, Ont., in his opening address congratulated the members on the very prosperous condition of the association, and the very considerable saving of expense in the administration of its affairs under the new system of National Records. The annual report of the Secretary, Registrar and Executive Committee, read by Mr. Henry Wade, Secretary, referred to the prevailing prosperity of Canadian farmers generally, and of Shorthorn breeders in particular. The prospect for trade with foreign countries, in the way of sales of Shorthorn cattle, are encouraging, satisfactory sales having been made during the past year to buyers from Japan, as well as the United States.

The financial statement showed receipts for the past year from all sources, in round numbers, \$20,779, including a balance from the former year of \$3,834; and disbursements, \$16,945, leaving a balance on hand of \$3,834, an increase of \$4,853. The total membership is now 2,538, an increase for the past year of 533. In 1905 the society was paid for 11,763 registrations, and 2,859 transfers and duplicate certificates, as against, in 1904, 9,648 registrations, and 3,735 changes of ownership. Volume 23 of the herdbook, recently published, contains pedigrees of 12,000 animals, an increase of 1,770 over Vol. 22.

The grants made last year to exhibitions in the various Provinces, as prizes for Shorthorns, amounted to \$3,250. The amount granted, provisionally, to exhibitions this year is \$4,800, an increase of \$1,550, distributed as follows: Toronto, \$2,000; Winnipeg, \$750; Calgary, \$400; Regina, \$300; New Westminster, \$100; Halifax, \$100; Quebec, \$200; St. John, \$100; Charlottetown, \$100; Winter Fair, Guelph, \$500; Winter Fair, Amherst, \$150; Winter Fair, Ottawa, \$100.

It was also resolved to duplicate all first prizes won at the International Show, Chicago, by Canadian exhibitors with Canadian-bred Shorthorns in the pure-bred classes, or with steers sired by pure-bred Shorthorn bulls. A motion to accept for registration in the Dominion Shorthorn Herdbook, pedigrees of cattle with ancestry recorded in the English Herdbook up to Vol. 40, was carried.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 1906.

President, W. G. Pettit, Freeman; 1st Vice-President, A. W. Smith, Maple Lodge; 2nd Vice-President, T. E. Robson, Ilderton; Secretary-Treasurer, Henry Wade, Toronto. Directors—(C List), W. D. Cargill, Cargill; S. Dymont, Barrie; John Isaac, Markham; A. G. Hopkins, Winnipeg; C. M. Simmons, Ivan; (B List), P.

Talbot, M.P., Lacombe, Alta.; J. T. Gibson, Denfeld; H. Smith, Exeter; John Davidson, Ashburn; John Gardhouse, Highfield; (A List), J. G. Barron, Carberry, Man.; F. W. Brown, Portage la Prairie, Man.; James M. Gardhouse, Weston; E. C. Attrill, Goderich; Thos. Russell, Exeter. Delegates—To Dominion Cattle-breeders' Association, John Isaac, Markham, Ont., and T. E. Robson, Ilderton, Ont.; Toronto Industrial Exhibition, W. G. Pettit, Freeman, and Robert Miller, Stouffville; Western Fair, James Crearer, Shakespeare, and C. M. Simmons, Ivan, Ont.; Central Canada Fair, Ottawa, Norman Wilson, M.P., Cumberland, and D. McLaren, Dunmore, Ont.; Provincial Exhibition, Halifax, N. S., F. L. Fuller, Truro, N.S., and F. W. Thompson, St. Lawrence, N.S.; Provincial Exhibition, New Brunswick, Seneca, N.S.; Provincial Exhibition, N.B., and Bliss Fawcett, Sackville, N.B.; Provincial Exhibition, Prince Edward Island, C. C. Gardiner, Charlottetown, P. E. I., and John Richards, Biddeford; Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, Dr. A. G. Hopkins, Winnipeg, and J. G. Washington, Ninga, Man.; Calgary Exhibition, R. K. Bennett, Calgary, Alta.; C. W. Peterson, Calgary, Alta.; Brandon, Man., Exhibition, Henry Nichol, Brandon, Man., and Wm. Chalmers, Hayfield, Man.; Regina, Assa., Exhibition, George Kinnon, Cottonwood, Assa., and Paul Brett, Regina, Assa.; New Westminster Exhibition, T. W. Patterson, Ladner, B.C., and W. H. Ladner, Ladner, B.C.; Victoria Exhibition, F. O. Pemberton, Victoria, B.C.; Sherbrooke, Que., Exhibition, H. J. Elliott, Danville, Que., and H. W. Burton, Huntingville, Que.; Maritime Winter Fair, Amherst, N.S., J. Rupert Coates, Nappan, N.S., and C. A. Archibald, Truro, N.S. Henry Wade, Secretary-Treasurer, Toronto, Ont.; H. Gerald Wade, Registrar and Editor, Ottawa, Ont.

Ayrshire Breeders' Annual Meeting.

The general annual meeting of the Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association, held in Toronto, Feb. 7th, was largely attended by members from the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The President, Mr. Alex. Hume, Menie, Ontario, on opening the meeting delivered an excellent address, in which he congratulated the members on the improved demand at advancing prices, and the general success of the breed in milking tests, and of the society, as evidenced by the fact that a larger number of pedigrees have been registered during the past year than in any other year since the inception of the association, there being 2,036 pedigrees recorded and 685 transfers and duplicate certificates issued, as stated in the report of the Registrar, Mr. J. W. Nimmo.

A committee of the directorate, appointed for the purpose, waited upon Hon. Nelson Monteth, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, with a request that a more representative class of Ayrshires be secured for the Agricultural College Farm at Guelph. The Minister acknowledged the justness of the complaint as to the class of Ayrshires at that institution, and intimated that steps would be taken looking towards improvement in this regard.

Mr. J. G. Clark, Chairman, presented the report of the Advanced Registry Committee, and read a memorandum received from the Dominion Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Mr. Fisher, intimating his willingness to provide and pay an inspector for one year to supervise yearly tests of cows for milk and butter-fat production, and expressing his wish that the breed societies decide at their annual meetings upon the qualifications required of animals for advanced registration, when the necessary arrangements will be made by the Department for carrying out these plans. A committee, consisting of Messrs. J. G. Clark and W. F. Stephen was appointed to make the necessary arrangements on the part of the association.

On motion, Messrs. R. Ness, Howick, and J. G. Clark, Ottawa, were appointed representatives of the association on the National Record Board. A motion was adopted, asking the Dominion Minister of Agriculture for a grant of \$1,000 towards the salary of an accountant for the National Record Association. A recommendation of the Executive, that the services of Mr. Henry Wade be retained as Honorary Secretary and consulting Registrar, at an annuity of \$200, and that he be made a life member of the association, was adopted unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following were, by ballot, elected directors of the association: John McKee, Norwich, Ont.; Alex. Hume, Menie, Ont.; W. W. Ballantyne, Stratford, Ont.; J. G. Clark, Ottawa; Alf. Kains, Byron, Ont.; Wm. Stewart, Menie, Ont.; N. Dymont, Clappison's Corners, Ont.

The Board of Directors met and appointed the following officers for the current year: President, Robert Hunter, Maxville, Ont.; Vice-President, J. G. Clark, Ottawa; Sec.-Treas., W. F. Stephen, Trout River, Que. Vice-Presidents for Provinces—Ontario, Alex. Clark, Brinston's Corners; Quebec, R. Ness, Howick; Manitoba, Dr. S. J. Thompson, St. James; Saskatchewan, J. C. Pope, Regina; British Columbia, A. C. Wells, Sardis; New Brunswick, H. M. Parlee, Sussex; Nova Scotia, Fred S. Black, Amherst; Prince Edward Island, Jas. Easton, Charlottetown.

Judges recommended for leading exhibitions: National, Toronto, A. Kains, Byron, and W. F. Stephen, Trout River; reserve, Geo. McCormack, Rockton. Western Fair, London, John McKee, Norwich; reserve, Geo. McCormack, Rockton. Central Canada, Ottawa, H. Bollert, Cassel.